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UNIONTOWN, PA.**

FIREMEN AT ODDS WITH PUBLISHERS OVER THE PROGRAM

Declare Faith was Broken in Soliciting Business Here

LOCAL MERCHANTS WON'T PAY

But Canceled Contracts After Learning None of the Money Would Be Used in Defraying Expenses of the Convention; Price Checks Mailed.

Representatives of the Rex Publishing Company of Pittsburgh, which issued the souvenir booklet of the firemen's convention, have aroused the ire of the firemen by attempting to collect payment for advertisements inserted by local merchants, which, the firemen say, were canceled long before the book was issued.

A member of the executive committee stated Friday that when the company contracted for the publication of the book, it was agreed that no advertisements were to be solicited in Connelville. Representatives were sent here and a large number of merchants were signed up, in the belief, the firemen say, that the money would go to the fire company to defray the expenses of the convention. When the committee became aware that the ads had been solicited, they put a stop to it, and a second agreement was entered into, that no money was to be collected from merchants for the ads.

When the book was issued, the Connelville merchants found their ads in it and now representatives are endeavoring to collect on them, notwithstanding the fact that many of the advertisers contributed the money for their ads to the fire company under conditions were made known to them. Yesterday Thursday some convention matters were closed up and several checks for prize money were forwarded to companies that had not claimed them. Another meeting will be held, showing the complete financial record of the convention committee.

A pleasing echo of the convention came from the direction of Pittsburgh this morning in the form of a letter from A. K. Streiner, president of the Relief Fire Company No. 2 of Pittsburgh, extending thanks for the hospitable treatment the Pittsburgh delegation received here. He says:

"Relief Fire Company No. 2 of Pittsburgh desires to extend its thanks to the citizens of your city for the kind and hospitable treatment received while in your midst on the occasion of the convention of the Western Pennsylvania Firemen's Association, and especially to do want to thank the management of the Arlington Hotel. We will long cherish the memory of the week of August 10 to 14, 1914 and of many courtesies received."

SCHROYER ISSUES WARNING

Advices Republicans of Dates to Qualify as Voters This Fall.

Chairman Charles O. Schroyer of the Republican County Committee, yesterday called attention to the importance of every Republican voter in the county being assessed on or before Wednesday, September 2, in order to insure his right to cast his ballot at the election next November 3. The voter also must have paid within two years a state or county tax which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least one month before the election. The last day for the payment of taxes in order to vote at the general election is Friday, October 2.

It is of importance for the county committee to get in touch with their assessors and tax collectors and see that every Republican voter is properly qualified to cast his ballot at the election. The preliminary work is very essential.

The dates which every Republican voter should keep in mind are: Last day for assessment—Wednesday, September 2. Last day for payment of taxes—Saturday, October 3. General election Tuesday, November 3.

YOUNG PEOPLE ELOPE

J. B. Millard Receives Word of Youngest Daughter's Marriage. Miss Zoe Millard, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Millard of Trevor street, and Ross M. Showman, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Showman of town, were married last Wednesday in Williamsburg, W. Va., to which place they eloped. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Trick, pastor of the Baptist church of Williamsburg.

Word to this effect was received at the Millard home Friday. It was a complete surprise. Miss Millard had gone to Pittsburgh to visit her sister, Mrs. Anabel Lutterman, who is a patient in the Allegheny General Hospital. It is assumed that Showman met her there and they continued to the West Virginia Green.

Although details of the elopement and plans of the young pair are lacking, it is understood they will reside in Pittsburgh.

DISPLAYS BRITISH PAPERS. Newcastle-Upon-Tyne Journals Received by E. S. Crowe.

Copies of the daily and weekly Chronicle, printed at Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, England, received by E. S. Crowe here, are on display in the Wright-Motter Company windows. The daily of August 1, devotes its entire front page to war bulletins with large black headlines, but the weekly adds nothing on the war on its front page except a five column cartoon. The pictorial supplement contains pictures of the British army.

LOOK FOR ARMY WORM MOTH WITH ONE WING COLORED

Department of Agriculture Requests the Public's Assistance in Determining Habits of the Pest.

WASHINGTON, August 22.—Every one interested in the destruction of the army-worm pest is being requested by the Department of Agriculture to look out for army worm moths with one artificially-colored wing. The department's entomologists are catching army-worm moths where they are plentiful, coloring one wing of each, and then liberating them in the same territory, so that they may determine whether these moths fly directly west, or north, and how quickly and far they will spread. A better knowledge of the habits of this pest should enable the department to control its spread. No moths are to be let loose where their liberation could possibly add to the natural damage.

The moths are already showing themselves in Virginia and in Maryland, and the department's agents are catching specimens at Portsmouth and Charlottesville in Virginia, and Hagerstown in Maryland. The agents at Portsmouth are applying red stain to one wing of each specimen caught; those at Charlottesville a black or yellow stain; and those at Hagerstown, a violet color. Then the moths are left to follow their natural course they could have pursued.

The wings of the army-worm moth, when outspread, measure about 1½ inches from tip to tip. The body is about half this length. The general shape of the moth with its wings outspread is triangular. The moths will hover about the lights in the evening. On farms, they will be found on the outside of screens and doors at night. They will probably not be observed in the daytime. On dark, hot, close nights, such as precede thunder storms, they will probably be especially noticeable.

NEGROES ARRESTED

Robbed Foreigner at Smithfield. But Caught by Railroad Officials.

SMITHFIELD, Aug. 22.—Assistant Trainmaster Stone and two Meritts, hostler in the yards here, were instrumental in arresting two colored men who held up and robbed a foreigner in the yards in broad daylight on Tuesday.

The two men attacked the foreigner a few feet from where Meritt was working. He ran to the scale house immediately and told William Boyer, the day operator, who ordered them to the company property. One of them pulled a razor on Boyer, but Mr. Stone appeared and the negroes fled.

The men were subsequently captured by Stone and Meritt in a field nearby and held until the arrival of Constable Kauffman who took them to Uniontown. They secured \$5 from the foreigner but overlooked a large sum which he had on his person.

One of the negroes had accounted Oakley Youth earlier in the morning and asked him the time. Youth pulled a revolver and the negro did not wait for an answer to his inquiry.

SOUTH SIDE BUILDING BOOM

Work on New Residences is Progressing Rapidly.

Ground has been broken on the lot on South Pittsburgh street between the residence of Robert Sordis and the Methodist Episcopal parsonage for a new residence for Dr. J. L. Cochran. The building will be of brick and tile, with 11 rooms and hot water heat. Contracted for the building is to have the building ready for occupancy by January 1, 1915.

Work is also progressing well on the excavations for the parsonage of the United Presbyterian church, which will adjoin the church.

The new brick residence of Roy Hoover, dispatcher for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, on West Green street, is practically completed, and is being finished off ready for occupancy.

The framework of the new residence of William Morris, a Baltimore & Ohio railroad engineer, at the corner of Race and Patterson avenue is up and the building will be rushed to completion.

RINGGOLD REUNION

Veterans Have Patriotic, Campfire and Business Session.

CHARLESTON, Aug. 21.—Ninety-five veterans of the Ringgold Battalion of Civil War fame, attended the forty-first reunion of the battalion held here yesterday. A parade and a campfire were held. Special guests of the campfire were Joseph O'Brien of Monongahela; Tom P. Sloan, a member of the Pennsylvania Canal Board; Mrs. Joseph Hamilton of Blue; W. D. Pollock of Charleston; and Col. A. J. Greengard of Chicago, the only surviving officer of the battalion.

At a short business session Brownsville was chosen as the place for the next reunion, to be held in August, 1915. William Nichols of Brownsville was elected president of the association.

BAN ON CARNIVALS

Council Will Likely Pass An Ordinance Prohibiting Them Here.

Connellsville has probably seen its last carnival for some years to come. Information from councilman sources is to effect that an ordinance will soon be introduced placing a permanent ban upon such organizations. The business men of town are generally opposed to carnivals, and council has heretofore suffered them under protest. It is likely that the permanent ban will become effective in the near future.

There will be no more carnivals this year and the councilmen believe it will be wise to pass a ordinance now which will keep them out in the future. The passage will give ample notice that it will be needless to negotiate for future attractions of that kind.

Excursion to Frostburg. The Western Maryland railroad will run an excursion to Frostburg, Md., Sunday, August 30.

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STRUCK BY BRIDGE AND KILLED WHILE RIDING A BOX CAR

Youth Beating His Way to Pittsburg Meets Death at Broad Ford.

COMPANION CATCHES HIS BODY

Saves It From Falling From Past Moving Freight; Victim Pulled to Protect Himself After He is Warned of Train's Approach to Bridge.

While riding on the top of a box car on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, Louis Weber, 22, of Magnolia, W. Va., was struck by the Pittsburg & Lake Erie trolley at Broad Ford about 2 o'clock Saturday morning and almost instantly killed. The body was brought to Connelville on No. 8 at 2:45 o'clock and taken to the undertaking parlors of J. F. Sims.

Accompanied by Ben Martin and Earl Brown of Cumberland, Weber was heading his way to Pittsburg, Brown and Weber were on top of the same car, but Martin was several cars ahead of them. Hearing that there might be overhead bridges they were making their way to the rear of the train in search of a low car. Brown was some distance ahead of his companion when he was struck by the trolley which was crossing the tracks to warn trainmen of the approach of overhead structures. He instantly dropped down, but Weber, either not knowing what the trolley meant or failing to act quickly enough, was struck by the trolley. The force of the blow was sufficient to spin him around several times. He fell to the roof of the car and would have fallen off it had Brown not grasped his legs. Brown declared that Weber was dead when he pulled him back from the edge of the car.

Brown notified Martin and the two made their way back to the engine and train. The body was taken off and placed on No. 8 a short time later.

Martin and Brown were arrested by Special Officer M. E. Williams and locked up in the city hall to await a request into the death of their companion.

Weber is survived by his wife, living in Magnolia, where he formerly worked as a stove painter. His family is undertaking the funeral. As the undertaker has been unable to get in touch with relatives, no arrangements for the funeral have been made.

PRODUCE DRUGS HERE

Minnesota Export Dealers, U. S. Need Not Depend on Europe.

PHILADELPHIA, August 21.—Every vegetable drug essential to the production of medicine can be produced in the United States. In greater quantities and finer quality than that which Europe has been able to supply, it is being demonstrated by Prof. L. L. Newcomb of the University of Minnesota in an address before the convention of the National Association of Retail Druggists.

The speaker told of development work in his state, in the growing of medicinal plants and declared that the work has progressed far enough to assure American druggists that they need not depend on Europe for their medicinal plants. He declared that European growers can be produced in this country.

"American for many years has been the dumping ground for European drugs of poor quality," said Professor Newcomb. "If this development work in the west is supported America will no longer be at the mercy of European dealers who charge whatever they please for their drugs because they have a monopoly."

BIG CROWD AT PARK

Uniontown Day is a Big Success. Wedding is Held.

Uniontown Day at Shady Grove was a big success. It is estimated that almost 10,000 people visited the park during Thursday and enjoyed the various amusements and refreshments. There were dancing, boating, concerts by Joe Nicol's band, solos by Helen Belle Hush of Dawson, and Ben Fields of Pittsburgh, and the biggest feature of the day was the wedding of William Nelson united Oakley Reed, and Miss Anabel Collins, both of Connelville. The ceremony was conducted in the pavilion at 5:30 o'clock in the evening. The band played a wedding march from Lehmann as the bride party marched in. William Nelson was best man and a sister of the bride, maid of honor. R. S. Coyle, manager of the park, tendered a corn roast to officials of the West-virginian newspaper and a number of friends at his banquet in the early evening. A big fireworks display closed the day's events.

DECISION NOW PENDING

Final Hearing is Held in the Shaw Will Dispute.

The final hearing in the Shaw will contest, in which Mrs. Jennie Shaw, widow of L. C. Shaw, seeks to show that a will leaving all of the deceased's property to her was stolen from her trunk within two hours after her husband's death was held Thursday afternoon before Register Charles Selinger at Uniontown. The case now awaits a decision.

Mrs. Jennie Shaw was called in cross examination, while the defense called Lloyd Shaw, Lulu Howe, the late husband's sister, Gertrude Glick and Charles T. Glick, all of whose testimony was in favor of the claim of the heirs that their father declared two years ago that he made a will but destroyed it.

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YOUTH GRAPPLES BURGLAR SHOT DURING THE SCUFFLE

Broad Ford Postmaster's Son Discovers Man in Room and Attacks. Man Escapes.

Awakened from his slumbers by a noise in his room at midnight Saturday, Harry Harrington, son of Postmaster Harrington, postmaster at Broad Ford, saw the dim outlines of a man prowling about. Seizing a revolver which he kept nearby, young Harrington got out of bed and tackled the intruder. The man, clutching a deadly Harrington a heavy blow. The intruder then grasped the revolver and though Harrington put up a plucky fight, he was shot in the right leg.

Alarmed by the noise of the shot, the intruder escaped through the window and disappeared down the road. He left behind a handkerchief in which a big bullet was wrapped and a soft hat, it is believed, that he struck Harrington with the butt when they first clashed.

Harrington, who is about 23 years old, was alone in the house. His father was away. The room in which he caught the burglar was a postoffice building and the window was completely open. The cash drawer had been removed because of the extreme heat. The intruder is believed to have tripped over the cash drawer in making sufficient noise to awaken the sleeper. It is apparent that he thought the postoffice receipts were in the room.

Dr. E. A. McDonald was summoned to treat Harrington's injury. The bullet passed downward and emerged. The wound, though painful, is not likely to prove serious.

MITCHELL QUITS HIS JOB

Resigns as License Officer in Rooming Detective.

Special Officer Mitchell Saturday submitted his resignation which he gave effect to at a week's notice. He had been in work as detective for the Police Association of Fayette county. His new position will take him throughout the county and it is expected that his resignation will be accepted.

Mitchell still retains his commission as constable in the First ward of Connelville. He expected to resign next week in the case in which the court had been asked to decide whether Mitchell or himself is legally entitled to the First ward constableship. Mitchell was elected, but Mitchell's commission extends until 1915.

It is not known whether council will elect a new constable officer at its meeting Monday night. Mitchell was appointed by Mayor Marlette after having been recommended by the board of police and did much road work.

BIG BARN BURNS

Owensdale Farmer Loses Heavily When Straw Stack Ignites.

The brick barn of A. J. Sutor at Uniontown, Owensdale, was burned Thursday afternoon, with all its contents, including a few hundred thousand dollars, but partly covered by insurance.

Mr. Sutor had thrashed recently and had a large stack of wheat, which he was taking to the city. The barn was full of straw and the fire started in the straw around the barn, and the fire spread with great rapidity. The fire was caused by a spark from a stove which was in the barn. The barn was a two-story building and the fire burned for several hours before it was brought under control. The loss was heavy, but the farmer was insured.

SUSPECTS ARE FREED

No Evidence Against Pair Thought to Have Robbed Bank.

Suspected of being the youths who robbed the Uniontown bank on Monday, Arthur Truxal and Elmer Jank of Greensburg, and David Lauby of Youngwood, were intercepted by Pittsburgh detectives at Pittsburgh. They were released later, on evidence against them being insufficient. The youths were in an automobile which resembled the one in which the bank robbers are supposed to have escaped. They claim that they were on their way to a fair and had no knowledge of the robbery.

The auto bandits who robbed the Uniontown Bank of \$1,000 on Monday are said to have been seen speeding through Point Marion, apparently en route to Uniontown, W. Va., on Tuesday evening.

MONEY FOR REFUGEES

Disbursements Will Be Not Langer Delayed.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—There will be no further delay in disbursing to Americans in Europe the funds deposited by relatives and friends with the Treasury department and forwarded through the customs, Mexico and North Carolina. Officers have gone forward, it was announced at the State Department today, after Treasury disbursement officers and consular officers abroad to begin payment in accordance with lists furnished by depositors.

Consular reports from Spain today said Americans were receiving cash for checks and letters of credit from the branches of the banking firm of Morgan & Harjes.

HARVEST HOME PICNIC

Band Association at Connelville Plans Big Time September 5.

A big Harvest Home picnic will be held in the park at Connelville on Sunday, September 5, by the Connelville Band Association headed by Charles H. Russell, formerly of Connelville. The picnic will begin with a big automobile and business float at 10:30 A. M. in which the Connelville friends and Military Bands will participate. Then there will be races, a baseball game, a baby show and a picnic dinner. The picnic is unique in that universal peace never was so far from being realized as it is in Europe and Asia at present.

PENNSY TRAIN HITS AUTO; ONE MAN DIES TWO OTHERS INJURED

Tragedy at Sligo Crossing When Four in Car are Trapped.

THE DRIVER ALONE ESCAPES

C. B. Martin of Smithfield Dies at the Hospital Some Hours After the Accident; Other Two Will Recover; Auto Carried Many Yards by Train.

Trapped in front of a passenger train when a wheel of the automobile in which they were riding caught in a rail at the Pennsylvania crossing at Sligo about 7 o'clock Saturday evening, one man was fatally injured and two others seriously hurt. Two fourth escaped unscathed.

THE DEAD. C. B. Martin of Smithfield, occupation of a farmer and stock raiser, was killed. He was 35 years old and lived in Cottage State Hospital.

THE INJURED. HOWARD PERRY, 30, of Uniontown, taken to Cottage State Hospital. J. H. Collier of Smithfield, who drove the automobile, escaped unhurt.

The party was returning from the Sligo-Kottville game at Sligo. The car was unfamiliar with the road to Connelville and was running slowly.

After passing down the Kottville road, the car was struck by the train. The car was carried many yards by the train. The car was crushed and the driver was killed. The other two were injured.

The automobile did not overturn, but ran along in front of the train on the left wheels. None of the men was able to jump, so quickly did the automobile hit the car. Martin and W. L. Perry were seated on the right side of the car and they received the full force of the collision. Collier escaped because his car was a left-side drive and he was unharmed.

The first aid team of Davidson gave valuable service to the injured until Doctors Gallagher and Beland arrived and arranged for the removal of the men to the Cottage State Hospital. Martin and W. L. Perry were taken in the ambulance and Howard Perry in Doctor Gallagher's ambulance. The latter was able to leave after having his slight injury dressed.

Martin was so seriously injured that he was thought from the first that he could not survive. His wife, who was formerly Miss Perry Swancy, and is related to a number of local people, was attending a Sunday school picnic at Shady Grove. She was brought to the city in Meritt's car. Collier's car was caught in the accident and he was killed. He was a member of the National Pike about seven miles out from Brownsville.

BURGESS WARMAN UPHELD

Judge Umble Decrees that he May Suspend Cops.

UNIONTOWN, August 21.—Judge B. B. Umble today upheld the writ of mandamus directed against Burgess B. D. Warman at the instance of S. Milton Williams, who was discharged from the position of assistant chief of police by the Burgess. The court does not find that the Burgess has the power to discharge a policeman without joint action of council. It is decreed that he has power to suspend policemen, the law giving the Burgess control of the policemen as to their duties and the manner in which they are to perform them.

After taking office as Burgess, Mr. Warman found that several of the policemen were not properly performing their duties, and that they were only a burden upon the taxpayers of the borough.

The late Jay Howard, who had been employed as city detective, was asked to resign and did turn in his badge and other property belonging to the borough. In the midst of the controversy concerning the action of the Burgess in removing Mr. Howard, the latter took sick and died. The next officer removed from service by the Burgess was Frank Gano, who had been employed as a patrolman by Harry Ford, without action of a council. Mr. Ford being chairman of the police committee. In a short time the Burgess handed his ultimatum to Assistant Chief S. M. Williams, Harry Maule and Joseph Brown, the last two being patrolmen. Gano, Williams, Maule and Brown devoted the authority of the Burgess and still continue to report for duty.

HONOR REV. DONEHOOD

Former Local Pastor Member of National Peace Conference.

Rev. George P. Donehod, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Connelville, and formerly pastor of the Presbyterian Church here, has been honored by being chosen a member of the famous National Conference of Mohawk, N. Y. a society devoted to the bringing about of universal peace. Rev. Donehod is a member of the Pennsylvania Historical Commission. His selection as a member of the Peace conference at this time is unique in that universal peace never was so far from being realized as it is in Europe and Asia at present.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS BEGINS TEST OF ALL MILK BOTTLES

Will Mark Those Which Do Not Come Up to Standard; Many Scales Inaccurate.

In further pursuance of the function of his office in seeing that dealers give full weight and measure of the commodities they sell, J. S. Snyder, sealer of weights and measures, will this week begin the stamping of all milk bottles. Those which contain full measure will be stamped "approved" and those which do not come up to requirements will have the word "condemned" marked on them.

The bottles will be marked with an ink preparation used by sealers everywhere. The words will be etched into the glass so that there will be no possibility of their being erased. These consumers will know by the marks whether or not they are getting a full measure. Bottles not marked will not be permitted to be used.

The non-descript assortment of weights and scales in the dealer's office in the city hall is growing. All sorts of measures are being consigned by the official. Some of these are so obviously incorrect that it is incredible that consumers should not have been warned. "The bottles measure measures which are absolutely prohibited practically. Some of these are used for day measures will not hold nearly the amount of milk or cream as the scales of 20 pounds shape the milk when one containing the same cubic inches would."

The right sort of living may be changed considerably in Connelville, Mr. Snyder says, when sealers use the proper scales and measures.

NOT COMING BACK

Father Pirkorn Decides That He is Through as Pastor Here.

The Courier is in receipt of a letter from Father Anthony Pirkorn, resigned and intended to return to the West Side, Pa. He has decided that he is not coming back to Connelville. A few weeks ago Rev. Pirkorn told The Courier that he had voluntarily resigned, but expected to return after a few weeks. He has decided that he will not come back. He says:

"I beg to inform you that the news published in your paper about my resignation is not entirely true. The only truth is that I am resigning, but not having any intention to return to Connelville as the pastor of the Slovak church. So I am not coming back to Connelville. I will return to my home in the West Side."

Being unable to stand the undemanding work of a few trouble-makers on account of my ill health, I resigned and intended to leave for Europe, but cannot on account of the European war.

"Possibly you get information not revealing the whole truth, especially that the bishop of the Pittsburgh diocese does not send them a priest willing to assist them in their religious disturbances caused by some in the church."

FIVE MEN ARRAIGNED

They Face Serious Charge Growing Out of Trouble at Percy.

Accused of arson in connection with the burning of the Kilpatrick house at Yankee Hollow, near Percy, on the night of Saturday, August 8, James Hickey of South Connelville and four Mount Braddock men, Isaac A. Taylor, Isaac C. Taylor, Grover C. Stockton and John Stockton, were given a hearing before Judge Squire McCreary at Percy today.

Hickey was arrested and committed to jail on Friday, August 21, while his companions were sent up the day after the alleged offense was committed. According to the information the men had at that time and were Constables Stockton and Wood, and Special Officer Stanley went out to arrest them, one of them is alleged to have fired at Stanley. It is charged that they attempted to set fire to the dwelling and held back John Mitchell and Henry Matthews, who sought to aid in extinguishing it, at the point of a revolver.

Kitchen utensils found at the camp of the men, are alleged to have been stolen from the Kilpatrick home, hence in addition to the arson charge, the men are facing charges of felonious shooting and robbery.

All from the South. Five men assist at surgeons in the Tenth Health Service have just been appointed by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo. As usual, they are all from the south.

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BEGINS KILLING DOGS

Quarantine is Now in Effect and One Animal Has Been Slain.

"The dog quarantine, which is in full force from August 4, is now in full force and effect," Dr. Edwards, representative of the State Livestock Sanitary Board, who is charged with supervising the enforcement of the quarantine in this district, killed the first dog Monday. It was found running at large on the West Side without a muzzle.

Now that the notices have been posted throughout all the territory covered by the quarantine, Dr. Edwards states that he will proceed to enforce its provisions vigorously. All dogs caught running at large without a muzzle, or without being held by a chain, will be shot. There has been quite a demand for dog muzzles and the canine population is beginning to find life hardly worth living there now.

POINT MARION MAN AN EYE-WITNESS OF BATTLE

UNIONTOWN, August 21.—What is believed to be the first description given in America by an eye-witness of the battle at Liege, Belgium, was given here today by J. B. Quernmont, a glass worker, of Point Marion, who has just returned from visiting his old home, near Liege, Belgium. He said:

"While the losses on both sides were heavy, the Germans suffered heavier losses than the Belgians. I saw advanced troops, singing their national songs, in what seemed like a never-ending stream, the Germans were mowed down like grass, by the deadly aim of the Belgians."

"Undoubtedly by their comrades falling on both sides of them, the Germans pressed on, only to be repulsed again and again. An idea of how some of the small towns will practically be depopulated may be gathered from the fact that out of 278 soldiers from my home town, only eight survived the battle. Thousands and thousands of corpses strewn on the battlefield presented a horrible spectacle."

Executors Notice.

McDonald & Gray, Attorneys. ESTATE OF JOSEPH SOISSON, Deceased. Letters testamentary on the estate of Joseph Soisson, deceased, residing in Connelville, Pa., deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them, properly authenticated, for settlement. CAROLINE SOISSON, Executor. WILLIAM F. SOISSON, VINCENT H. SOISSON, Executors. P. O. Address, Connelville, Pa. 30191-v

Attorney-at-Law.

REGISTER AND CLERK'S NOTICE.

GEOLOGIC SURVEY SEEKING DEPOSITS OF POTASH IN U. S.

Country is at Present Entirely
Dependent on Ger-
many.

SUPPLY HAS BEEN CUT OFF

Fertilizer Trade is Hard Hit, but
the Salts are Employed in Many
Other Industries; Glassmakers are
Affected by the Serious Scarcity.

Outside of Germany there is no known commercial supply of potash salts. If the German supplies are cut off during the European war, the agricultural world must either go without potash salts after the meager supply now on hand is exhausted, or else itself find another adequate source of supply. Already many inquiries regarding potash have been addressed to the United States Geological Survey, and the fertilizer journals report that small quantities of potash material are changing hands at sharp premiums. The situation is undoubtedly more acute than it was a few years ago, when national interest was first awakened to the fact that the United States is entirely dependent on Germany for this important class of fertilizer materials.

Potash salts are employed in many industries other than the fertilizer industry. A large amount is used in glass and soap making and in the manufacture of a number of chemical products. These include potassium hydrate, or caustic potash, and the carbonate and bicarbonate of potash, used principally in glass and soap making; potassium cyanide, potassium ferri-cyanide, and potassium ferri-cyanide; various potash bleaching chemicals, dye stuffs, explosives containing potash nitrate, and a long list of general chemicals.

The needs of the manufacturers and the farmers of the country are well known and keenly appreciated by the Geological Survey. Since the outbreak of a domestic supply of potash salts has become of public interest, the government has endeavored to locate deposits in the country, and has followed up every clue that seemed to promise results of importance. The survey has been extended from New York to California and from Michigan to Louisiana, and has covered all branches of investigation where results might be expected, exclusive of the study of kelp. Its investigations have been carried out along several lines: (1) Deep drilling for saline residues has been done at Fallon and during the past year, in Columbus, March and Black Desert, Nevada, and will be continued in Black Rock Desert this year. (2) Natural and artificial brines and bitters have been collected at all the salt-making establishments in the United States, and a great many other localities, and examined. (3) Deposits of alumina and other minerals, containing potassium, have been investigated in Utah and other states. (4) Certain occurrences of igneous rocks known to contain considerable quantities of potash salts have been examined. Much work has also been done by private initiative along practically all the lines mentioned above. The Bureau of Soils, the Department of Agriculture, has investigated the kelp. The work is not yet finished and will be pushed with increased vigor, provided the necessary funds are supplied.

To all those interested in the subject the Geological Survey will be pleased to send free of charge the available reports which have been issued on potash salts. Inquiries should be addressed to the Director, U. S. Geological Survey, Washington, D. C. The imports of potash salts, listed as such in the reports of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, include the carbonate, cyanide, nitrate, chloride and sulphate, caustic potash, and other potash compounds. The importation of the above salts in round numbers at least three years has averaged \$35,000,000 pounds in quantity and \$11,000,000 in value. These figures, however, represent only a part of the potash salts entering the United States, as they do not include the imports of kainite and munite salts which are used in fertilizers. The quantity of this class of materials imported for consumption in the United States during the last three years has averaged about 700,000 tons valued at \$4,800,000 annually. Thus it is apparent that the annual importations of potash salts exceeded \$15,000,000.

OHIO APPROPRIATIONS SAFE

River and Harbor Bill to Be Passed and Passed.

WASHINGTON, August 21.—The filibuster was won and an agreement has been reached between the Senate and the House on the bill which provides for the construction of a river and harbor bill will be passed this session and the Ohio river and other big projects which were threatened by the existing situation will be saved.

At a conference with the Democratic leaders of the Senate, Senator Burton agreed to stop his fight "if 'pork barrel' items amounting to \$15,000,000 or \$20,000,000 are cut from the measure. This was practically conceded and will ultimately save between \$100,000,000, as the items are for the beginning of projects which Senator Burton contends are unworthy.

INDUSTRIAL AGENT HERE

Austin Gallagher Greets Acquaintances During Brief Stay.

Industrial Commissioner Austin Gallagher of the Western Maryland railroad was a visitor in town Saturday morning for a few hours. He arrived on the early morning Western Maryland train and left at 10.30 for Somerset.

Mr. Gallagher stated that conditions are generally satisfactory along the Western Maryland lines. There was no particular significance attached to his visit to this section, he stated.

FOR BIGGER OPERATIONS

Large Unit is Tendency in the Coal Industry.

For five years the United States Geological Survey has collected coal production statistics showing the distribution of output among five classes of mines, rated according to their productive capacity. Comparisons of these compilations indicate that even in this short period the tendency toward concentration into large unit operations is marked. In the anthracite mines of Pennsylvania such concentration was evident before 1909, and there has been further progress in the same direction.

In the bituminous mines in these five years there has been an increase in annual production of nearly 100 million tons, but practically no increase in the number of commercial mines. There has, however, been a most significant change in the number and production of the first class, those producing 200,000 tons or over, the increase in number being 29 per cent and the output of 694 of these mines in 1913 averaging nearly 550,000 tons, as contrasted with 300,000 tons, the average production per mine of this class in 1903. The proportion of the total production contributed by the mines of the first class has increased in five years from 22 1/2 to 35 per cent.

This tendency toward large operations is characteristic of both western and eastern coal fields, the six states showing the largest percentage of production from mines of the first class being Utah, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Illinois, New Mexico, and Montana in the order named.

Tables showing production by classes of mines and other details are included in the annual report on the coal industry by E. W. Parker, of the United States Geological Survey, which is now in press.

B. & O. POLICE SHIFTS

Seven Changes are Made by the New Superintendent.

Several changes in the official organization of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad police department have been made by Edmund Leigh, new general superintendent of police. The changes are in the captains of police, in charge of the protection of railroad property and that of shippers on the operating divisions of the property. The appointments announced are as follows:

A. J. Harding is appointed captain of police of the Ohio River division with headquarters at Parkersburg, W. Va., succeeding E. Wherry. John Gross is appointed captain of police of the Philadelphia division, with headquarters at Philadelphia, succeeding A. J. Harding transferred. E. R. Custer is appointed captain of police of the Newark division with headquarters at Newark, O., succeeding J. M. Bennett, who has left the service. J. A. Campbell is appointed captain of police of the Cleveland division, with headquarters at Cleveland, O., succeeding E. R. Custer, transferred. W. J. Mays is appointed captain of police of the Monaca division, with headquarters at Grifton, W. Va., succeeding J. A. Campbell, transferred. W. S. Hoover is appointed captain of police of the Wheeling division, with headquarters at Wheeling, succeeding N. Schiffer, assigned to other duties. L. McGill is appointed captain of police of the New Castle division, with headquarters at New Castle, Pa., succeeding W. B. Powell, resigned.

REPAIRING THE BOILERS

Local Firm Doing Work at the Dunbar Furnace Company's Plant.

Boilermakers in the employ of the Connellsville Iron Works have begun work under Superintendent W. E. Kelly on a contract to repair all of the boilers at the Dunbar furnace. The new company controlling the furnaces has given orders that the work is to be rushed with all possible dispatch and the local firm will comply with all its orders.

The boilers have been so long out of use that it will mean much work to put them in shape to be operated again. They are now being thoroughly inspected preparatory to the actual repair work.

The repairs to the boilers constitute one of the many signs of the early resumption of the furnace by the American Manganes Company which has taken the plant over for use in the manufacture of ferro-manganese.

BUILDING NEW CARS

West Penn is Constructing 800 Type at Local Car Barns.

The West Penn Railway Company is building a new type of trolley car to be known as the "800." They are to be large weight, single truck cars, with more window area per passenger than any of the closed cars now in use now. The floor will be about six inches lower than usual and the car wheels slightly smaller in size.

Thirteen cars from the Allegheny Valley division are to be equipped with new trucks of the long wheel base type. They are also to be equipped with electric heat instead of hot water and new brakes are to be installed. Several decided improvements in the brake rigging and bearings are to be embodied in the cars when the improvements are completed.

TELEGRAPHERS SUSPENDED

Pennsylvania Railroad Lays Off Seven Men, Pursuing Retrenchment.

The Pennsylvania railroad continues its policy of retrenchment wherever possible. Post operators in this section have recently been laid off because of the closing of message offices at Brownsville and Shiro Oaks, which each employs two men. The third track operators at Vance Mills, Watersburg and Smock were suspended until there is an improvement in traffic.

At the latter office the operators will work from 6 A. M. to 3 P. M. and from 2 P. M. to 10 P. M. From that time until 6 A. M. the offices will be dark.

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SMELT TIN HERE

America Has Opportunity to Bulk European Supplies.

The outbreak of the European war has caused the New York price of tin to rise to 85 cents a pound, although in the latter part of July tin was sold as low as 29.5 cents a pound. None of the European countries make a production which would greatly affect market values, and the disturbance of ocean freights which are carried very largely in English or German bottoms.

The known American tin deposits are small, and production from them will probably not be much affected by the exceedingly high prices if these are temporary. However, the operating tin deposits may reap a profit if they can market their ore before the drop in prices that is sure to come.

The benefit which it seems possible to get out of the present situation is in the establishment of a tin smelter in the United States in which to smelt Bolivian tin ores and such small lots of American ore as are produced. At present Bolivia smelts and exports tin concentrates carrying more than 20,000 tons of metallic tin are shipped each year from Bolivia to Europe for smelting. The United States would absorb the tin smelted from tin ore locally, and it has been demonstrated that there are no difficulties in the smelting of the Bolivian ores that American metallurgists cannot meet. Owing to the lack of European markets, Bolivian tin will now be seeking a market, and providing that ships can be found to carry the ore, this will be the opportunity for Americans to begin purchasing the ores that have heretofore gone to Europe.

A few years ago a smelter was established at Payson, N. M., in which to smelt Malayan tin ores, but when it became known the British government placed a high export duty on Malayan tin ore not going to some part of the British Empire. Such a thing could not happen in Bolivia, and to some extent, at any rate, the smelting of Bolivian and other ores in this country would reduce the profits of the London market.

TWO NEW PLANTS

Probably Greater Arsenic Output on Account of War.

The consumption of white arsenic in the United States in 1912 amounted to about 7,200 tons, valued at \$178,000, of which 2,515 tons, valued at \$172,234, was produced in this country as a by-product from copper and precious-metal smelters and the remainder was imported largely from European countries. For the present, imports of arsenic will undoubtedly be seriously diminished by the European war. The American smelters can save much more arsenic than they do now, for the cheapness of the product has prevented the saving of all that was practicable, and the war would seem to open the way for an increase in the American output.

Works for the exclusive production of arsenic have been erected at only

two places in the United States—Bristol, Va., and Mineral, Wash. It is difficult for such plants to produce arsenic to be sold in competition with the by-product of the smelters except in periods of high prices such as may again prevail if the war and its industrial disturbances are long continued.

RADIUM IN PENNSYLVANIA

Small Deposit of Carnotite Found Near Mauch Chunk.

With the prominence given to the subject of radium, some interest attaches to a brief report by Edgar T. Wherry describing a deposit of carnotite near Mauch Chunk, Pa., published as Bulletin 580-11 of the United States Geological Survey. Carnotite is one of the radium-bearing minerals, and this deposit is believed to have been formed by precipitation from the ground water and can now be seen in process of formation where water trickles out through cracks in the rocks.

The deposit is of significant interest, but the present knowledge regarding it is insufficient to warrant any statement as to its workability. So far as is now known the total mass covered by the carnotite-bearing lenses is very small, the observed outcrop being confined to a strip but a few hundred feet in extent. A copy of Mr. Wherry's report may be obtained by application to the Director, United States Geological Survey, Washington.

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